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FORMER SCHOOL BAND TEACHER INDICTED FOR CHILD PORN

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a former band teacher at the Cameron, Mo., high school and middle school was indicted by a federal grand jury today on child pornography charges.

Omer Dale Creech, 38, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., was charged in a four-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City. **Creech**, who is currently employed as a security guard, was the high school and middle school band teacher for the Cameron School District. Prior to that, **Creech** was a teacher at the Senath-Hornersville Senior High School in Senath, Mo.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Creech** attempted to transport child pornography over the Internet between Dec. 8, 2002, and March 25, 2003.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Creech** attempted to receive child pornography over the Internet between Dec. 8, 2002, and March 25, 2003.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Creech** possessed one or more films, videotapes, and other matter which contained child pornography on March 25, 2003.

Count Four of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Creech** to forfeit to the government any matter containing child pornography and any property used to commit the offenses alleged in the indictment, including a Compaq Presario 5000 computer.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was

investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Cameron, Mo., Police Department.

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